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*AERUGINOSA*

Group Art Unit :

Examiner :

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56 and 1.97-1.98, Applicant(s) note(s) herewith various reference(s) for the Examiner's consideration. These references were cited in the PCT International Search Report of the corresponding International Application No. PCT/US03/06715. The Examiner is respectfully requested to review and officially

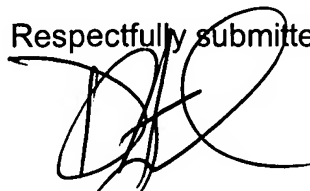
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Should the Examiner have any questions or wish to discuss further this matter, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,



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